(7) Quantity of logs=9,606 candies.
Estimated value=Rs. 1,65,040-0-0.

Quantity of scantlings (including sleepers, Pongu blocks, etc.)	About 4,500 C. ft.

Estimated value=Rs. 7,870-0-0.

(8) A statement containing the information is appended. (*Appendix II.*)

Male Hospital—Mattancheri.

303. Mr. Popatlal Goverdhan Lalan.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) when was the question of providing a Male Hospital in Mattancheri first approved by the Government;

(b) when was the land for the above acquired;

(c) when did the construction begin;

(d) what stage has it reached now;

(e) when is the work expected to be completed;

(f) has all the budgetted amounts during the previous years been spent; if so, how; if not, why not, and how was it otherwise disbursed?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—(a) In 1105.

(b) The main area was acquired in 1106 and the remaining portions in 1110.

(c) In 1108.

(d) The out-patient dispensary and the store room have been completed. The construction of the main ward is just taken up.

(e) The main ward will be completed by December 1936.

(f) Yes; except a sum of Rs. 20,000 provided in the budget for 1105 towards land acquisition charges. The land acquisition proceedings could be completed and payment made only in 1106. The provision in 1105 was utilised for other urgent works.

Water supply—Mattancheri.

304. Mr. M. V. Cherian.—Has the attention of the Government been ever drawn to the hardship caused to the public

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of Mattancheri for want of sufficient number of water hydrants and sufficient quantity of water; if so, what have the Government done in the matter?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—Yes. Government are considering the question of laying a pipe line across the backwaters to Mattancheri.

Chowwara Head Works—pumping engines—particulars regarding.

305. Mr. P. C. Varkey.—Will the Government be pleased to place on the table a statement showing the following particulars of the pumping engines purchased for use at the Chowwara Head works;

(a) the number of units purchased;

(b) their horse power and capacity;

(c) the years in which they were purchased;

(d) the cost of each unit;

(e) the number of years they were in use;

(f) the name of the Company from whom they were purchased;

(g) whether any of these were replaced; and if so, the reasons for replacement?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—(a) Six.

(b) (1) 2 (24/28 B. H. P.) driving well pumps capacity 35,000 gallons per hour.

(2) 2 (62½ H. P.) driving turbine pumps with a capacity of 42,000 gallons per hour.

(3) 1 (125 H. P.) driving a pump with a capacity of 42,000 gallons per hour.

(4) 1 (45 B. H. P.) capacity 25,000 gallons per hour.

(c) Items 1 and 2 were purchased in 1104.
Item 3 in 1108.
and Item 4 in 1925.

(d) 24/28 H. P. Engines Rs. 3,050 each. Well pump Rs. 9,000 each. 62.5 H. P. Engine Rs. 8,500. Turbine Pumps Rs. 3,500. 125 H. P. Engine complete with pump, etc., Rs. 11,900. 45 B. H. P. Engine Rs. 7,785 including erection.

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